THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MA-DHAV RAO SCINDIA (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Two companies under the Companies Act, 1956, namely Indian Airlines Ltd. and Air India Ltd. are intended to be incorporated to replace the two Air Corporations, i.e. Indian Airlines and Air India. It is proposed in this connection to bring about suitable legislative measures for which a Bill would be introduced for consideration of the Parliament.

Raids to unearth black money on expiry of amnesty schemes

*96. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently directed officials of the Central Board of Direct Taxes and Central Board Excise and Customs to prepare a list of offenders against whom action can be taken after the expiry of the amnesty schemes on the 31st January this year;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to conduct raids to unearth black money; and

(c) what are the details of further action that Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (c) Combating tax evasion and unearthing black money is a continuous process for which Government takes necessary legislative and administrative steps from time to time which includes *inter alia,* conducting of search in appropriate cases.

Proposal to allow direct import of gold by jewellery exporters

*97. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal with Government to allow direct import of gold by the jewellery exporters; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) A scheme for direct import of gold by exporters of gold jewellery in the Domestic Tariff Area was notified vide Public Notice No. 257-IlC(PN)/90-93 dated the 11th December, 1991.

Enhancement of development charges by DESU

98. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DESU has recently enhanced the development charges by 100 per cent from Rs. 12/- to Rs. 24/- per square yard with effect from the 11th April, 1991;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether there has been some confusion and delay in providing Electricity connections to the residents of unauthorised colonies (pre-1981) regarding fulfilment of certain conditions by the residents; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b) The rates of development charges for electrification of eligible unauthorised colonies (pre-1981) have been increased by DESU trom Rs. 12/- per sq. yard to Rs. 24/- per sq. yard with effect from 11-4-1991. This has been done to neutralise to some extent the increase in cost of material, labour etc. since the earlier rates were fixed in June, 1985.

'c) and (d) According to DESU, there is no confusion in the fulfilment of conditions for providing electricity connections to the residents in the authorised colonies.